Dear Thunderbolt Famílíes,

As we approach the winter season, We wanted to take a moment to share some important updates, reminders, and exciting events happening at our school. With snow on the horizon, we're looking forward to a season full of fun, learning, and community. Here's what you need to know:

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WINTER GEAR: PLEASE DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!

As temperatures drop, it's important that all students come to school dressed for the winter weather. Please ensure your child is equipped with the following items:

•Warm coats, hats, scarves, and gloves/mittens

- •Snow pants (required for students who plan to participate in outdoor activities such as sledding)
- •Sturdy boots to keep feet dry and warm
- •Extra socks for those who love to play in the snow!

By making sure your child has the proper winter gear, we can ensure that everyone stays comfortable and safe while enjoying the outdoors during recess and other winter activities. Don't forget to label all clothing items with your child's name to help us keep track of lost items!



SLEDDING HILL: FUN IS HERE!

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We are excited to announce that the **snow has arrived and our sledding hill is open**! Our students have always enjoyed this winter tradition, and we can't wait to see everyone having fun outside. To make the most of this opportunity, please remember:

- Students must wear snow pants and boots to participate in sledding.
- The hill will be open when weather conditions are safe. If conditions are not ideal, we will hold off until it's safe to sled.

We currently have a limited number of sleds and students need to be considerate and patient while sledding, everyone will take turns.

Sled donations are welcome! If you have any extra sleds you'd like to donate for our students to use, please drop them off at the Elementary office. Your donation will help ensure every child can participate.





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Don't forget that Winter Break starts on December 23, 2024 and school resumes January 6, 2025.



Parent Volunteers: We Need Your Help!

We're always looking for parent volunteers to assist with winter activities, including sledding supervision and helping with special events. Your involvement helps us provide a safe, engaging, and fun environment for our students. If you're available to lend a hand, we'd love to hear from you.

To volunteer, please contact the school office or email us at deguzmann@mio.k12.mi.us or grobc@mio.k12.mi.us. Whether you can volunteer once in a while or more regularly, we appreciate your support and look forward to work-

VOICES OF THUNDER WINTER CONCERT: SAVE THE DATE!

We are thrilled to announce that Jackson Music Program has been working hard with our students to prepare for the "Voices of Thunder" Winter Concert! The concert will take place on Tuesday, December 17, at 6:00 PM in the school auditorium. This is an event you won't want to miss!

Our students have been practicing and are excited to share their musical talents with you. The concert promises to be a wonderful evening of music and celebration. Please join us as we come together to enjoy the voices of our Thunderbolt family and kick off the holiday season in a festive way! Please note the following details to help the evening run smoothly:

- * **Arrival time:** Please have your child at their classroom by **5:45 PM**. This will allow them time to get settled before the performance begins.
- * **Coats and Gear:** To avoid distractions during the concert, kindly take your child's coat and other winter gear with you. This will help keep the gym area comfortable and organized.
- Pick-Up: After the concert, your child will not be released until they are signed out with their teacher. This ensures a safe and organized dismissal.



LOOKING FORWARD TO A WONDERFUL WINTER

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a warm and vibrant learning environment for our students. Let's make this winter a memorable season for everyone at Mio AuSable Elementary. Warm wishes for a safe and joyful winter season!